

EXHIBIT A

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Re: **U.S. Non-Provisional Application  
Scheme For Improving Predictability And/Or  
Reliability Of Photolithographic Images  
Our Case No. 10200/82  
Cypress Semiconductor Ref. No. PM 98024**

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Dear Mr. Kim:

Andrew Fortney of Cypress Semiconductor has asked me to file the above-identified patent application, which was filed as a provisional application almost a year ago. Enclosed is a copy of the patent application that needs to be filed by Friday, June 30, 2000. Also enclosed is an Assignment and Declaration for your review and signature. Please review the patent and then please sign and date the Declaration where indicated. Please also sign and date the Assignment where indicated. Once you have signed these documents, please return them to me in the enclosed FedEx envelope as soon as possible. If you have any questions please call me at 312-321-4780.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "P. Rauch", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Paul E. Rauch, Ph.D.

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enclosure